# **NPDG** meeting

Present: Margaret Morgan (Chair)

Diana Tombs
Patrick Griffin
Catharine Paige
Rosemarie Nash
Eric Nicoli
Jeff Bygrave

Absent Jackie McCarten

Keith Cameron

Kevin McGann

## Agenda

## Borough Local Plan Regulation 19 key dates

BLP being published Friday 9th with an Extraordinary Council Meeting 19th June (not allowed to submit questions) A general discussion ensued around this point. It was left to individuals to decide whether to attend or otherwise.

It was emphasised that no one has sight of the BLP even those who may have an interest.

Issues the Group can comment on in the consultation need to be based on "soundness" of the BLP and does it meet all the criteria.

Question was asked by EN re who is the examiner for the BLP and this is not known at this time.

Comments can be submitted to the examiner at examination and NPDG should. Comments raised must be relevant to issues raised in the consultation submission.

It was emphasised that other local bodies have similar reservations about the BLP and at a recent group meeting it was agreed that a letter (which was a suggestion from another local NPG) would be sent to the Leader of the Council to set out local concerns. General discussion took place on the recent Neighbourhood Plan Group meeting and contents of the letter to RBWM.

NPDG Ascot and Sunnings agreed unanimously to sign the letter. DT to sign on behalf.

It was also agreed that the letter to RBWM should be cc'd to DCLG and the MPs Theresa May and Adam Afriyie

Presentation made at the NPG meeting will be circulated to the group by MM

Next meeting of the NPG's - 12th June details will be circulated MM

#### How can the BLP be challenged @ Reg 19

NPDG can either do it ourselves or raise funds to have legal representation. This will have its own challenges and a general discussion took place on Crowdfunding and challenge of raising funds for legal representation. MM and KMcG to discuss options on Crowdfunding.

## Evidence needed to challenge the BLP

We must have robust evidence to challenge the BLP. DT asked for help with collecting some of this – CP volunteered.

## Strategic Sites

Discussion on the 3 x workshops from Ascot Regeneration Plan 15th May was an update from workshops Next session likely to be late summer Development brief " may " have some guidance on housing numbers

NPDG web site will be populated with response & powerpoint from de brief meeting on 15th May **KM to action** 

Discussion on housing numbers emerging:

Shorts 145 homes

Sunningdale Park 280 units. Will be sold to Berkeley Homes & Audley with plans for housing and care village with Northcote House retained

Gas holder site: no update

Other sites/planning applications:

Heatherwood: next consultation Thursday 18th May Oakfield Farm: want to meet and discuss options

Lynwood Field: 17/01188 planning appn, sadly still totally against policy. Diana will write (short) objection -

DT

Blacknest Park: single residence plan

#### **AOB**

Wildlife in Ascot : Tree recording group mature habitat. Applying for heritage letter funding . Reintroduction of water voles . Swift boxes to be placed.

Date of next meeting:

## Tuesday 5th September